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SUBJ: US COMPANY INTERESTED IN KUWAITI CRUDE

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT ENERGY COMPANY OF LOUISIANA (ECOL) HAS APPROACHED KUWAITI BUSINESSMAN IN CONNECTION WITH ITS INTEREST IN LINING UP PURCHASE OF 200 THOUSAND BARRELS PER DAY OF CRUDE OIL FOR USE IN REFINERY TO BE BUILT IN LOUISIANA (ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH) WHICH WOULD COME ON STREAM IN ABOUT THREE YEARS.

2. ECOL IS RECENTLY FORMED COMPANY OWNED BY INGRAM COMPANY AND NORTHEAST PETROLEUM COMPANY OF MASS. APPARENTLY ECOL WISHES PURCHASE CRUDE OIL WHICH WOULD BE REFINED IN LOUISIANA AND SOLD AS GUEL OIL IN NEW ENGLAND.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: UNDERSTAND INGRAM AND NORTHEAST PETROLEUM RELATIVELY WELL KNOWN COMPANIES. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND INFO ON COMPANIES AND REFINERY PROJECT DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE SHOULD KUWAITI BUSINESSMAN OR GOK OFFICIALS QUERY EMBASSY. BELIEVE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT THERE MAY BE SOME INTEREST IN PROJECT OF THIS NATURE EVENTUALLY BUT UNLIKELY TO BECOME FIRM UNTIL AFTER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN GOK AND KOC IS RATIFIED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY.

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